

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 BONN 13380 101707Z

70

ACTION LAB-04

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-07 INR-07

NSAE-00 SIL-01 INT-05 /037 W
----- 073764

R 101700Z AUG 76

FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1012

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY LONDON

UNCLAS BONN 13380

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ELAB, GW, BE FR, UK

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
ON COAL MINE WORKERS' COMPENSATION

REF: STATE 181302

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED AN INTERIM REPLY TO THE QUESTIONS
POSED IN REFTEL FROM THE FRG MINISTRY OF LABOR AS WELL
AS GERMAN PUBLICATIONS ON THIS PROBLEM AREA.
2. THE MINISTRY COMMENTS THAT THE SIGNIFICANT DECLINE
IN SILICOSIS CASES IN THE FRG IS DUE NOT ONLY TO
STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN TERMS OF DECREASING EMPLOYMENT
LEVELS IN THE COAL INDUSTRY, BUT ALSO TO TARGETED
TECHNICAL AND INDUSTRIAL HEALTH MEASURES. ABOUT 1,000
(0.5 PERCENT) OF THE 220,000 COAL MINERS EMPLOYED IN
THE FRG FILE CLAIMS ANNUALLY FOR COMPENSATION ALLEGING
DISABILITY DUE TO SILICOSIS OR SILICO TUBERCULOSIS. AN
AVERAGE ANNUAL DISABILITY PENSION BENEFIT OF DM 6,000
IS PAID FOR EACH CERTIFIED CASE OF SILICOSIS. IN 1974,
APPROXIMATELY 72,000 SILICOSIS CLAIMS (AS COMPARED TO
75,900 IN 1970) WERE PAID IN THE COAL MINING SECTOR,
WITH ABOUT HALF OF THESE CASES INVOLVING PENSIONS TO
WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINERS.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 BONN 13380 101707Z

3. THE EMBASSY HAS AIR POUCHED MATERIAL FURNISHED BY
THE MINISTRY OF LABOR TO GERALD P. HOLMES, ILAB.
HILLENBRAND

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: COAL, WORKMENS COMPENSATION INSURANCE, LABOR FORCE, MINING INDUSTRY
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 10 AUG 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976BONN13380
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760308-0061
From: BONN
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760870/aaaacjbp.tel
Line Count: 64
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION LAB
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 STATE 181302
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: greeneet
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 31 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <31 MAR 2004 by ReddocGW>; APPROVED <14 JAN 2005 by greeneet>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON COAL MINE WORKERS'COMPENSATION
TAGS: ELAB, GE, BE, FR, UK
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006